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PRESS RELEASE

Chief Judge Anthony J. Scirica of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit announces the appointment of a Merit Selection Committee to recommend candidates for a bankruptcy judgeship in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Once selected, the judge will sit in Philadelphia. Established pursuant to regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States, the role of the Committee is to review applications, conduct interviews, and recommend individuals whose character, experience, ability and commitment to equal justice under the law fully qualify them to serve as United States bankruptcy judges.

The members of the Committee are practitioners in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania with diverse backgrounds and expertise. Joseph A. Dworetzky, shareholder at Hangley Aronchick Segal & Pudlin, has been appointed to chair the Committee. Joining Mr. Dworetzky on the Committee: Professor Amelia H. Boss of Temple University School of Law; Stephen D. Brown of Dechert; Tobey M. Daluz of Ballard Spahr; Anna B. Laupheimer of Blank Rome; Arthur P. Liebersohn; Charles J. Phillips of Leisawitz, Heller, Abramowitch, Phillips; Roberta D. Pichini of Feldman, Shepherd, Wohlgelernter & Tanner; Natalie D. Ramsey of Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads; Frederick L. Reigle, Chapter 13 Trustee; and David T. Sykes of Duane Morris.

Further information regarding the vacancy may be obtained on the web site for the Third Circuit Court of Appeals at www.ca3.uscourts.gov or by contacting the Office of the Circuit Executive at 215-597-0718.